



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re application of: KANG et al.

Application No.: 10/648,953

Filed: August 26, 2003

Title: REDUCTION OF FEATURE CRITICAL
DIMENSIONS

Attorney Docket No.:
LAM1P177/P1139

Examiner: Unassigned

Group: Unassigned

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service with sufficient postage as first-class mail on November 14, 2003 in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

Signed: _____

Sue Funchess
Sue Funchess

**SUPPLEMENTAL
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
37 CFR §§1.56 AND 1.97(b)**

Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

The references listed in the attached PTO Form 1449, copies of which are attached, may be material to examination of the above-identified patent application. Applicants submit these references in compliance with their duty of disclosure pursuant to 37 CFR §§1.56 and 1.97. The Examiner is requested to make these references of official record in this application.

This Information Disclosure Statement is not to be construed as a representation that a search has been made, that additional information material to the examination of this application does not exist, or that these references indeed constitute prior art.

This Information Disclosure Statement is: (i) filed within three (3) months of the filing date of the above-referenced application, (ii) believed to be filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits, or (iii) believed to be filed before the mailing of a first Office Action after the filing of a Request for Continued Examination under §1.114. Accordingly, it is believed that no fees are due in connection with the filing of this Information Disclosure

Statement. However, if it is determined that any fees are due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such fees to Deposit Account 50-0388 (Order No. LAM1P177).

Respectfully submitted,

BEYER WEAVER & THOMAS, LLP

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael Lee", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Michael Lee

Registration No. 31,846

P.O. Box 778
Berkeley, CA 94704-0778
(831) 655-2300



| | | |
|--|---|---|
| Form 1449 (Modified) Information Disclosure Statement By Applicant (Use Several Sheets if Necessary) | Atty Docket No. LAM1P177/P1139 Applicant: KANG et al. Filing Date August 26, 2003 | Application No.: 10/648,953 Group Unassigned |
|--|---|---|

U.S. Patent Documents

| Examiner Initial | No. | Patent No. | Date | Patentee | Class | Sub-class | Filing Date |
|------------------|-----|--------------|----------|-----------------|-------|-----------|-------------|
| | A | 5,501,893 | 03/26/96 | Laermer et al. | 428 | 161 | 11/27/93 |
| | B | 6,187,685 B1 | 02/13/01 | Hopkins et al. | 438 | 710 | 02/08/99 |
| | C | 6,261,962 B1 | 07/17/01 | Bhardwaj et al. | 438 | 702 | 08/01/97 |
| | D | | | | | | |
| | E | | | | | | |
| | F | | | | | | |
| | G | | | | | | |
| | H | | | | | | |
| | I | | | | | | |
| | J | | | | | | |

Foreign Patent or Published Foreign Patent Application

| Examiner Initial | No. | Document No. | Publication Date | Country or Patent Office | Class | Sub-class | Translation | |
|------------------|-----|--------------|------------------|--------------------------|-------|-----------|-------------|----|
| | | | | | | | Yes | No |
| | K | | | | | | | |
| | L | | | | | | | |
| | M | | | | | | | |
| | N | | | | | | | |

Other Documents

| Examiner Initial | No. | Author, Title, Date, Place (e.g. Journal) of Publication |
|------------------|-----|--|
| | O | |
| | P | |
| | Q | |
| Examiner | | Date Considered |

Examiner: Initial citation considered. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.